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UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**IN RE APPLICATION OF: Plummer et al.**

**CASE:** IOM-P052      **RESPONSE TO NOTICE**  
**SER. NO.:** 10/708,432      **TO FILE MISSING PARTS**  
**FILING DATE:** March 3, 2004      **(filing date granted)**  
**FOR:** IMPROVED BUFFER GEL  
FOR IONTOPHORESIS  
ELECTRODES

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**EXAMINER:**

Dear Sir:

If any charges or fees must be paid in connection with the following communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 50-0545.

This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts, mailed May 19, 2004, a copy of which is attached.

The Notice indicated that the executed Declaration was required. In response, Applicant herewith submits the executed Declaration and a check in the amount of \$105.00 (\$65.00 + \$40.00) for the surcharge fee and Assignment fee. Accordingly, all outstanding missing parts identified in the Notice are submitted herewith.

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In addition, Applicant submits herewith a fully executed assignment, Recordation Form Cover Sheet and the Assignment fee of \$40.00.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned at (312) 226-1818 is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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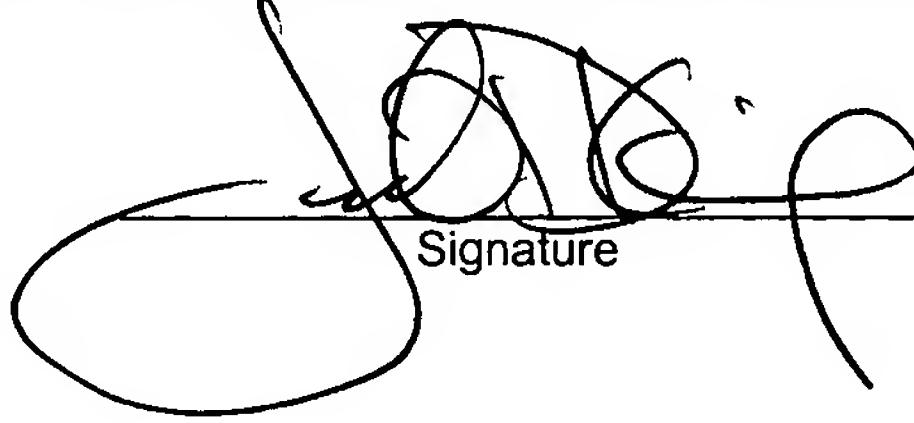
  
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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

*Filing Date Granted*

**Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity

- **\$65** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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